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MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION ON BAKU, THE USSR

A. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

1. Unidentified Caserne Near BAKU

[] no military installations in the city of BAKU itself. 25X1
 [] u/1 Border Guard personnel at one of the piers that had been 25X1
 designated as the entry-exit point for all foreign travelers. These personnel
 checked the documents of foreigners entering or leaving BAKU by water. A
 number of these Border Guard personnel also guarded the wharf area, which
 was off-limits to all unauthorized personnel. [] could not pinpoint the 25X1
 pier where the Border Guard personnel were stationed, nor [] give 25X1
 any pertinent information on these troops. [] 25X1
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[] an unidentified caserne in the vicinity of KIROV, a small settlement about 25X1
 3 to 4 miles north of BAKU. 1. [] could not pinpoint the location of the 25X1
 caserne. [] only recalled [] the main highway north out of 25X1
 town on a bus marked "military caserne" and that the caserne was on the right 25X1
 side of the highway. It had also been built after WW II. [] 25X1
 [] there were about 500 small 25X1
 one- and two-story clapboard buildings in the caserne.

2. Unidentified Sanatorium

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 [] Several Soviet Army medical officers [] 25X1
 [] were stationed at an unidentified Soviet Army Sanatorium in 25X1
 MARDAKYAN, about two miles southeast of BUZOVNY. [] 25X1
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B. MILITARY TRAINING AT INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE

[] attended the Azerbaydzhan Industrial Institute in BAKU [] 25X1
 [] All the Soviet male students at this school were required to par- 25X1
 ticipate in a military training program. All foreign students were exempt
 from this training. Soviet women students had been required to participate
 in military training for a few years following WW II, but this training had
 been cancelled in the late 1940's. [] 25X1
 Soviet women students attending medical courses at other institutes continued
 to participate in military training courses.

[] military training was part of the regular curriculum 25X1
 Training was conducted once a week and averaged 2 to 3 hours. The first and
 second year students participated in basic military subjects, which were of a
 class room nature for the most part.

Students in the third, fourth and fifth years participated in military
 training that was allied to the particular field they were studying in. For
 example, students working for degrees in technical and fuel engineering
 trained in POL matters which concerned the military. For this purpose,
 they experimented with different oils and lubricants as they affected military
 engines. There were several airplane, tank, truck and other motors for the
 students to experiment with. There were various training aids such as
 out-away motors, sectional diagrams, various charts and diagrams and mockups.

Students working for electrical engineering degrees, participated in
 Soviet military signal training matters. They were trained to be Morse Code
 operators and learned the schematic and wiring diagrams of Soviet radios, etc.

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Students working for a degree in construction engineering were given military training in accordance with construction engineering as practiced by the Soviet Armed Forces.

Most of the training was of a classroom nature. All of the military training was the responsibility of a military section of the school faculty, which had about 20 unidentified Soviet Army officers ranging in rank from senior lieutenant to colonel. This military section was rumored to be subordinate to the Ministry of Defense.

Each year the students were given an examination on military subjects. Students in the first to fourth year classes did not participate in any summer training. Students in the fifth year classes were sent to an unidentified camp in TBILISI for a two month period. Here they were issued regular Soviet EM uniforms and subjected to unspecified training. Upon return to the Institute, these students were required to appear before a military commission that had arrived for the purpose of examining them. These examinations were rumored to be extremely difficult. Following successful completion of the examinations, a student was commissioned as a lieutenant in the engineer technical services of the reserve. The students then proceeded to take the regular academic examinations in their particular fields. [redacted] about 120 students were commissioned annually.

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Only on rare occasions were any of these newly commissioned officers actually called to active duty, and then in most cases because of a personal desire to serve. All of the students at the Institute were exempt from the draft. [redacted] a large percentage of Soviet students who had completed the ten year class strived to enter some Institute, regardless of whether or not the curriculum was to their liking, mainly to escape the draft.

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2. CIVIL DEFENSE

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[redacted] there was no evidence to show that an active civil defense program against air attack was in operation.

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